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SENATOR HARDIMAN PROMOTES READING MONTH

LANSING- Senator Bill Hardiman (R-Kentwood) today encouraged parents and grandparents to take time to read to their children and grandchildren during March is Reading Month.

"As parents both my wife Clova and I took the time to sit down with our daughter and read while she was growing up" said Hardiman. "I cannot overstate the importance of what reading to your children or grandchildren means to their educational development." A book awakens a child's imagination, improves language skills and opens a new world of entertainment and enjoyment.

Developing a child's awareness and encouraging their interest in reading promotes an investment in the younger residents of our community. "Both my wife and I look forward to participating in reading to various classrooms throughout my district during March is Reading Month" said Hardiman. In addition to the schools listed below, others are still being considered.

Monday, March 10

10:00 a.m. Senator Hardiman will be reading to third and fourth graders at

Sibley Elementary, 947 Sibley NW in Grand Rapids.

Monday, March 17

1:00 p.m. Senator Hardiman will be reading to first graders at Jefferson

Elementary, 1356 Jefferson Ave SE in Grand Rapids.

Monday, March 24

1:00 p.m. Senator Hardiman will be reading to fourth graders at Campus School

Elementary, 710 Benjamin SE in Grand Rapids.